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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

RE: Ex Parte Notice

MB Docket Nos. 02-277, 01-235, 01-317, 00-244

In the matter of 2002 Biennial regulatory Review—

Review of the FCC Broadcast Ownership Rules and other rules adopted pursuant to Section 202 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 including cross-ownership of newspapers and broadcast stations, rules and policies concerning multiple ownership of radio and television broadcast stations in local markets, dual network ownership restrictions and other media ownership regulations.

The attached correspondence, which was sent to Chairman Michael Powell and copied to the other FCC Commissioners, was filed by the Department for Professional Employees, AFL-CIO on behalf of the 14 signatory organizations. The letter pertains to the media ownership rules that were recently stayed by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3rd circuit and it requests that the FCC--should these rules be reconsidered in whole or in part--hold field hearings before any further regulatory action occurs.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Almeida
President

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